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Dear John:

I was very pleased to hear from you and to know that you have survived the rigors of life in California.

My cartographic friends tell me that unfortunately there is no map folio of the Middle East. The only ones in existence are on China and Vietnam. Because of the expense, it is doubtful if a folio will be prepared on the Middle East any time soon.

All is not hopeless, however. We do have some very good unclassified maps of Middle Eastern countries, and the people who produce the maps welcome the opportunity to make sets available to academic institutions. They have agreed to send you six sets of maps on the following countries (the only "Middle East" countries which are available in our unclassified series): Algeria, Cyprus, Jordan, Israel, Afghanistan, Nepal, India, Pakistan. Hope this will be of help.

Mary and I send our warmest regards to you and Ruth. We look forward to hearing of your adventures in the violence-prone academic community.

Yours very truly,

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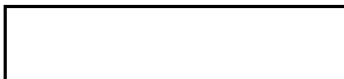
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Dear 

Greetings from the state that some believe is about to slip into the sea and that others wish would. With some sadness I realize that my year here is more than half gone. And I haven't tried anywhere near enough eateries in San Francisco.

Anyhow, I am writing to solicit a small piece of information. There has recently appeared in the Hoover Far East collection a Map Folio (China) issued by Office of Basic and Geographic Intelligence. The people whom I see most of here, namely the Middle Eastern curator's staff, have looked at it with envy and asked me if such a folio or folios were available on any or all parts of the Middle East.

Are they? My own guess was that O/B&GI is covering the world in order of priority and that the Middle East lay a long way below China, Vietnam, and the like, but not quite as far down as Anguilla. I haven't seen the folio, but it is unclassified and apparently similar to ones I have seen on Vietnam.

If you could make an enquiry without inconvenience, I would appreciate it. Best regards to Mary and yourself from both of us.

Sincerely,

John F. Devlin